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- The harbor pilot met [] ship just outside the breakwater at Gdynia and brought it into the central portion of the Polish Quays, where the usual search was conducted and another one prior to [] departure. While [] tied up [] the framework of cranes in the process of construction protruding above the structures on the American Quays, to the north of the warehouses and sheds. [] only the framework was visible [] estimated them to be of three-ton capacity, propulsion unknown. [] through the inner breakwater to the Polish Quays [] one ship under construction in the drydock and shipyard area north of the Yugoslav Quays, and one commercial ship of about five thousand tons which [] had been launched recently [] two floating cranes of about 75-ton capacity each tied up at the east end of the Polish Quays, which appeared to be of US manufacture and possibly war surplus. There were about 10 track-riding cranes of 3-ton capacity each and propulsion unknown at the Polish Quays. [] repair or construction was in progress on the inner breakwater at the south-east end of the Portowy Canal, and believed that the breakwater was being renovated and reinforced. [] repairs under way on the damaged portion of the outer sea wall, and considerable work in progress on the finger piers located just north of the northernmost entrance to the outer harbor. It appeared that these piers were being altered primarily for use by submarines. [] a small breakwater is to be constructed to extend from the north side of the northernmost outer harbor entrance in a west-northwesterly direction across the south end of the finger piers to afford swell protection. Construction and repair activities were being carried on in the Naval Base area north of the outer harbor. Small craft, minesweepers, and ex-German E-Boats had been moved from the Naval Base area to the Wopenny No. 2 basin, located north of the Portowy Canal, probably to clear the Naval Base area for the above mentioned construction.

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3. Of the two wrecks located at the west end of the outer harbor, marked by a single buoy [redacted] the ex-German radar controlled target ship has been removed, but its disposition was not learned. The other wreck and buoy still remain. The wreck located at the northernmost entrance to the outer harbor has also been removed.

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